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Note verbale dated 14 June 2001 from the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations (Vienna) addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations (Vienna) presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and has the honour to transmit, in accordance with paragraph 1 of General Assembly resolution 1721 (B) (XVI) of 20 December 1961, information concerning the Italian mini-satellite MITA and micro-satellite MEGSAT-1 (see annex).

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Annex

Registration data for Italian space launches*

1. The technical data of the Italian Space Agency (ASI) MITA mission are the following:

Name of space object:	MITA
Type:	Mini-satellite
Launching date:	15 July 2000; 11.59 UTC
Launching State:	Russian Federation (Plesetsk)
Launching vehicle:	Cosmos
Orbital period:	93.6 minutes
Inclination:	87° 18'
Orbit:	Circular
Altitude:	450 km
Purpose of space object:	Technological demonstration

2. The technical data of the Italian mission MEGSAT-1 are the following:

Name of space object:	MEGSAT-1
Type:	Micro-satellite
Launching date:	26 September 2000; 10.05 UTC
Launching State:	Kazakhstan (Baikonur)
Launching vehicle:	Dnepr
Orbital period:	97.555 minutes
Inclination:	64.55°
Orbit:	Circular
Altitude:	540.2 km
Perigee:	639.9 km
Purpose of space object:	Data communications with store and forward system; scientific, technological and commercial applications.

* The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.